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# Nest Notes

February 8, 2019

Please save the date of March 21 for a talk by Dr. Ross Greene, renowned child psychologist and New York Times best-selling author. This event is sponsored in part by the Center Parents Association. Childcare will be provided at our school for the evening. March will be here before we know it, so please register early when registration opens. The event will be opened up to our community as a whole and seats will go quickly. Registration information will be coming soon. I believe that being a parent is the hardest job in the world. As parents, our children are our hearts. I feel this evening event will speak to all of us.

This week has been busy as we finished pinching out our last pinch pots. Our pinch pots from last week have dried and we have begun painting them. Rosa and I love watching how the children's artwork turns out. While we instruct and help them, the work is more about the process, and is truly their own work.

Wednesday we baked our banana oat cookies! Thank you, Jessica, for bringing in ingredients for our baking. We hope you enjoyed your cookies that went home. They are deliciously moist and very healthy!



## Banana Oat Cookies

2 very ripe bananas  
1 1/2 cups oats  
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 cup allergy-friendly chocolate chips or raisins (optional)

Preheat oven to 350. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Mash bananas until smooth. Add oats, cinnamon, and optional ingredients. Bake cookies for 12-15 minutes, or until slightly browned on the edges. Remove from oven and let stand for 2 minutes. Let cool before serving. I keep the leftovers in the refrigerator. They are yummy cold!

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We wrapped up our week making our play dough resupply. (We change our play dough daily to keep everyone healthy. We don't like sharing germs!) The children love making the play dough to keep it fresh.



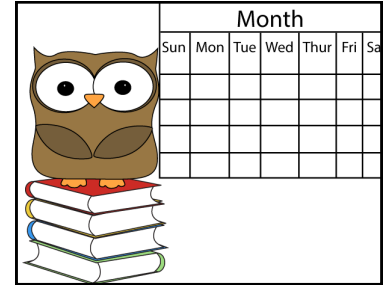
We cannot create observers by saying 'observe', but by giving them the power and the means for this observation and these means are procured through education of the senses.

Maria Montessori



## Dates to Remember

We will be having an open house for tours from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. on February 16. If you know someone whose child could benefit from being with us, please invite them to come and see who we. This is a very nice way to see us in action and gain more information about the Montessori philosophy.



Registration is now open to the public. Please make sure you get your registration in for next year as soon as possible if you have not done so already. While we always fill up first for our half-day enrollments, our Nesters moving up to Primary will want to secure their spots, too. Administration will take your placement requests to heart, ultimately seeking the best dynamic and balance for each student and environment. Once a Primary classroom fills up, choices will be more limited.

There is still time to get your Valentine Heart for the Selby Preschool Shoe Drive. Please check in the office to select one of these children, who are in much need. Thank you!

Have a wonderful weekend,  
Christine and Rosa



Never help a child with a task at  
which he feels he can succeed.

*Maria Montessori*